

**MINUTES OF
CITY OF DUVALL
COUNCIL MEETING
10-9-03
7:00 P.M.**

6:00 PM: WORKSHOP - Visioning Plan Update

The Regular City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Nixon at 7:00 P.M.

Council Present: Julie Benjamin, Mark Cole, Pat Fullmer, Will Ibershof, Tom Loutsis, Jeffrey Possinger, Greg Von Tobel, Mayor Nixon

Staff Present: Steve Schuller, Glenn Merryman, Dianne Nelson, Bruce Disend, Jodee Schwinn

I. Additions or Corrections to the Agenda:

Under Consent Agenda add: Payroll in the amount of \$128,923.50; Claims in the amount of \$287,727.72; Under New Business add: #4. (AB03-62) A Letter of Support for Value Added Program Grant for Cherry Valley Farm.

II. Comments from the Audience:

Trisha Blair, 14307 - 275th Avenue NE, submitted an entry form and explained the purpose of the 2003 Accessible America competition. She asked Council to consider entering the competition that recognizes communities that facilitate the comprehensive involvement of citizens with disabilities. Mrs. Blair also announced that she is currently representing the community as “Mrs. Duvall” and will be competing for the “Mrs. Washington” title.

Eric Nelson, 27102 NE Cherry Valley Road, spoke to the City Council on some of the challenges of the dairy industry. He added that quite a few local dairies have gone out of business. He said a new program has come out to allow farms to remove themselves from the commodity market and create their own product. It may even lead to the organization of a small local farm alliance. He asked that the City sign a letter in support of his farm and explained the more community support he has, the better the chances are of receiving a grant from the program.

Michael Bramble, 28225 NE 151st Street, is concerned with all of the campaign signs that are popping up all over in town and in the outlying areas. He said it is really bad. He has also contacted King County and requested that they remove the signs from their right-of-way. He realizes that the City has taken the position of not enforcing the right-of-way signage regulations, but asked that the candidates please be reasonable regarding their signage and to remember that many laws are created because of people pushing in excess.

Joel Calvert, manager of the Duvall Safeway, 14020 Main Street NE, announced that Safeway will be holding a fundraiser to raise funds for breast cancer research on Friday, October 10th. Safeway employees have already reached their \$4,000 goal for the month of October! The fundraiser will be a dunk tank in the store parking lot with various community leaders volunteering to be dunked, including Mayor Nixon and Duvall Police Chief Glenn Merryman. He encouraged everyone to come down and support the fundraiser.

III. Approval of Consent Agenda:

Was moved and seconded (Fullmer-Benjamin) to approve the consent agenda which included Payroll in the amount of \$128,923.50; Claims in the amount of \$287,727.72; and the Council Meeting Minutes of 9/25/03. Carried. (7 ayes).

IV. Presentation: *None*

V. Scheduled Items:

1. Mayor: Mayor Nixon reminded everyone that Duvall has a leash law. She also reported that the city is working with homeowners of Rita's Homestead to form a homeowner's association to address their landscaping problem along NE 150th Street. Mayor Nixon also announced that a special events permit has been submitted to the City for next year's Duvall Daze celebration. She said organizers want to bring the event back to a *Country Living Festival* with a community potluck on Friday night, quality crafts and a parade focusing on local business floats. She believes Duvall Daze is very important to Duvall and she thanked the Chamber of Commerce for allowing them to move forward with the event.

2. Committee Reports: *Committee Reports are given at the second Council Meeting of each month.*

3. Council:

Councilmember Pat Fullmer announced that this Saturday, October 11, councilmembers will host the 2nd Saturday Open House at City Hall from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. This is a chance for citizens to come by City Hall and talk to councilmembers about community concerns.

Councilmember Will Ibershof announced that he will be golfing in a Friends of Youth golf tournament at Trilogy on Saturday. He said he will be golfing with Howard Fink, the Director of Friends of Youth, and asked that anyone having any concerns let him know and he will pass them on to Howard.

4. Staff:

a. Glenn Merryman, Chief of Police, reported on the “Criminal Justice Summit” that was held on October 2nd and 3rd. He said 150 people attended representing various cities and agencies. Seven committees were formed to work on common issues and they are currently recruiting volunteers. He also reported that the King County Sheriff’s Department has agreed to meet the Duvall Police halfway on transports.

b. Steve Schuller, Public Works Director, announced the DOE has just completed a three-year audit of the wastewater treatment plant. He congratulated the staff on a clean audit. He also reported a commission for the Puget Sound Regional Council has selected SR203 to be the focus of a rural highway corridor study. Steve announced the City of Duvall won the appeal on the Lopic case. He also reported he will also be meeting with homeowners of Taylor Heights II regarding constructing a sports court over an existing storm water vault. Lastly, Steve announced that the City was awarded the grant for the Taylor Park refurbishment.

c. Dianne Nelson, Finance Director, reported that the loan documents have been sent to the DOE for final review. She reported that the Cindy’s Cupcakes property has closed. She also announced that the City of Duvall, in cooperation with Hopelink, has started collecting money for the Duvall Helping Hands utility fund. \$285.00 has already been donated in September.

**VI. Public Hearing: City of Duvall 6-Year 2004-2009
 Transportation Improvement Plan**

7:40 pm: The Public Hearing was opened.

Kent Vanderwil, 26900 NE 145 Street, said he lives along NE 145th Street that is listed as the number one priority in the 6-year Transportation Plan. He asked council to please use due diligence in moving forward with the project and would like to be kept informed of development of the project.

7:44 pm: The Public Hearing was closed.

**VII. New Business:
 **1. (AB03-59) Resolution #03-20 Approving the City of Duvall Six-Year 2004-2009
 Transportation Improvement Plan. *Was moved and seconded (Loutsis-Fullmer) to
 pass Resolution #03-20 approving the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan.
 Carried. (7 ayes).*****

2. (AB03-60) Ordinance #982 Establishing a One-Year Moratorium on the Filing of Applications for Certain Land Development Activities and Declaring an Emergency. *Was moved and seconded (Benjamin-Possinger) to adopt Ordinance #982 establishing one-year moratorium on the filing of applications for certain land development activities and declaring an emergency. Carried. (7 ayes).*

3. (AB03-61) Contract Amendment #1 with Associated Earth Sciences for Bruett Road Phase III. *Was moved and seconded (Benjamin-Loutsis) to approve Contract Amendment #1 with Associated Earth Sciences for Bruett Road Phase III. Carried. (7 ayes).*

4. (AB03-62) Letter of Support for Value Added Program Grant for Cherry Valley Farm. *Was moved and seconded (Ibershof-Benjamin) to authorized the Mayor to sign a letter of support for a Value Added Program Grant for Cherry Valley Farm. Carried. (7 ayes)*

VIII. Executive Session: *None*

IX. Adjournment:
Was moved and seconded (Benjamin-Possinger) to adjourn. Carried. (7 ayes).
Meeting Adjourned 7:55 p.m.

Signed _____
Mayor Becky Nixon

Attest _____
Jodee Schwinn, City Clerk